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HAND DELIVERY

Honorable Richard Berman
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007-1312

Re: U.S. v. Richard Usher et al.

*Initial appearances + arraignment
to be held on July 17, 2017 @ 11:30
A.M. Counsel should facilitate as
much processing in advance with
Marshals and pretrial services.
Proposed bail packages should be
in writing + submitted to the Court
on or before July 5, 2017.
SO ORDERED:
Date: 6/12/17 Richard M. Berman
Richard M. Berman, U.S.D.J.*

Dear Judge Berman,

We are writing to confirm that each of the three defendants in the above-referenced case – Richard Usher, Rohan Ramchandani, and Christopher Ashton – have agreed to voluntarily appear before the Court on the charge brought against them by indictment in January of this year. All three defendants are citizens and residents of the United Kingdom, but have reached an agreement with the government to waive extradition and appear for arraignment this summer. Contact information for the defendants' counsel can be found at the end of this letter.

We are writing to open the discussion of whether Your Honor would prefer to handle the initial appearances and arraignments personally rather than referring the matter to the magistrate and, if so, to discuss scheduling. Preferred dates for the initial appearances and arraignments are as follows:

Mr. Ramchandani and Mr. Ashton: July 21, 2017 (most preferred) or July 17, 19, 20, 2017
Mr. Usher: August 1-4, 7, 8, or 11, 2017

We request, if possible, that each arraignment be scheduled in the afternoon to allow for processing of the defendants by law enforcement and Pretrial Services in the morning. If these dates are not convenient for Your Honor, the parties request a scheduling conference, or ask that the arraignment be referred to a Magistrate Judge for the proposed dates.

In addition, the government has reached an agreement (largely identical) with each of the three defendants regarding pre-trial release conditions that the parties intend to jointly propose to the Court at arraignment. If Your Honor will be presiding over the arraignments, we are happy to share those agreements as soon as requested.

Defense counsel can be contacted as follows:

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If Your Honor has any other issues to discuss in light of this development in the case, we would be happy to make the arrangements for any conference calls with the parties.

Sincerely yours,



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